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#### The Man Who Wins.

Before a crowd of three thousand Cooper Union enthusiasts who were sembled to protest against the impeachment of Governor Sulzer, the Rev. Madison C. Peters described "STILZER's Crime" in these words:

"He falled to return to admiring friends a small sum of money that had been given for his personal use."

Yesterday, the very day that this campaign fund appeared in the Times:

"The disclosures up to date have shown conclusively the receipt of \$104,800. Of

In his sworn statement, filed with the Secretary of State under the corrupt practices act. Mr. SULZER acknowledged only a little over \$5,000 in recelpts and showed expenditures aggregating about \$7,000. With due respect may we ask what is the Rev. Mr. Pr-TERS'S notion of "a small sum of money" which he admits Mr. Sulzes "failed to return"? And furthermore may we ask if the size of the sum in any way excuses the nature of the act in the opinion of the Rev. Mr. PETERS?

According to that incomplete manual of distinguished leaders of thought in America, "Who's Who," the Rev. Madison C. Peters is the author of a work entitled "The Man Who Wins." Unfortunately this work has not been a part of the usual lists on moral education and is not near at hand for reference. and therefore we must infer that the who may not necessarily be averse to signing his name to and taking his oath upon a false statement of fact.

## The Shovel at Sea.

Having received on Wednesday the nomination that came to him on its own legs, bringing its own shovel. Mayor GAYNOR surprised a good many people yesterday by sailing for Europe. The simplest explanation of his departure is doubtless the right Survey, Chairman F. H. NEWELL of the one. He needs the rest and the quiet Reclamation Commission, the Board of which will give him energy for the vigorous and aggressive campaign whereof the general plan has been roughly sketched in his address of acceptance of Commerce of San Francisco, and on the City Hall steps, and more elab- many members of the Sierra Club, of orately indicated in the remarks which which Mr. John Muis is president. he left behind for publication after In a letter to Mr. UNDERWOOD, the Demothe Baltic's clearance. Mr. GAYNOR cratic leader in the House, urging acexpects to spend the beautiful month of October in going for Tammany Hall with all the spunk that is in him; and gency and actual distress." He quotes now is the time for recharging the the president of the Spring Valley batteries.

Apart from this obvious consideration it is worth while to remember doing the city more harm than the retention of New York as the chief that the ocean steamer's deck has always been a favorite place for Mr. given canyon into a man-made storage GAYNOR'S more serious cogitations. He reservoir, Secretary Houston has said: made the voyage over and back in "I think there is a great deal of beauty the summer of 1909 for the special in San Francisco to be conserved, and purpose of making up his mind whether to run for Mayor that year. ernment." In the stress of official perplexities in 1910 he was starting for the same fear the desecration of the Yosemite when a crazy man's bullet stopped the Hetch Hetchy is thirty miles distant deared him to millions of his fellow it would be made more attractive by citizens by revealing the depths of pa- the conversion of part of it into a lake. behind a somewhat testy exterior. In inaccessible (it has comparatively few cal recuperation we may look for re- H. R. 7201 provides that by good roads attained important proportions. undertaken by Mayor GAYNOR.

bearings are political and not personal amounting to temporation, for a distinct of times are to be paid to the forces, regardless of whatever selfish anti-Tammany issue in which there united States for Yosemite improve ambition might be subserved by its congoing to take over to his broad shoulders the Sulzer question, affidavit, depents to personal account in Wall

titutional provisions and all?

and the natural reluctance, on the part ment of Mr. WHITMAN'S previous nominations for District Attorney. There .so se ... the smart attempt of the Tammany DAILY, Per Year 6 600 leaders to shift to the Mayor's independent candidacy the inveterate tions to the fusionists have not been 75 odium of police graft. There is the received docilely. He finds in this town Republican vote, 137,193 for Ivins in 1905, and 177,304 for BANNARD in 1909. THE EVENING SUN, Per Year...... 2 50 Votes for the Shovel must come from somewhere, in addition to those which Mr. GAYNOR'S attractive qualities will command unaided.

And there is the main question of the Board of Estimate, the safeguard against the looting of this city which Mayor Gaynon is determined to prevent-the question of McANENY and sails without any published expression of his desires and intentions as to the remainder of the Shovel ticket. Does he take it with him in his own head, or does he depart meaning to bring it back of the middle longitudes for political inspiration?

His boat is launched-if we may be permitted to become inoffensively figurative-and the shovel presents a pretty good propulsive surface, and the one man already in the boat possesses a strong pair of arms for any emergency :

"But oars alone can ne'er prevail To reach the distant coast; The breath of Heaven must swell the sail Or all the toll is lost."

#### Hetch Hetchy.

After twelve years of agitation the Hetch Hetchy issue is at rest so far as the House of Representatives is concerned. On Wednesday by a vote PATTANGALL, the Personal Devil of astonishing conception of a minister of of 183 to 43 the House passed the bill the Gospel was reported in print, the granting to the municipal corporation lieve that if it be true, as the Colonel ward steps until now it may be truly following figures in regard to the Sulzer of San Francisco in perpetuity the avers, that the Progressive platform right to use land in the Hetch Hetchy Valley for the development of a city water and power supply.

The bill now goes to the Senate. Opposition to it has come chiefly from Mr. John Muin, the naturalist, other lovers of scenery, and from the impractical conservationists. One may love JOHN MUIR and not agree with him that the flooding of the valley floor would spoil the scenery of Hetch Hetchy. Why should the sentimental interest of tourists in Yosemite prevail over the crying need of San Francisco and the bay towns for a pure and abundant water supply; why should it be held in higher regard than the opportunity for municipal improvements and for the fertilization of arid tracts in the country tributary to San Francisco? There is no more ardent and honorable conservationist than Mr. GIFFORD PINCHOT. To the Public Lands

Committee on June 25 he said: "If we had nothing else to consider than the delight of the few men and women who would yearly go to the Hetch true type of the man who wins that Hetchy Valley, then it should be left in its the Rev. Mr. Perers wished to hold up natural condition. But the considerations mind, are simply overwhelming, and so much so that I have never been able to see that there was any reasonable argument against the use of this water supply by the city of San Francisco, provided the bill was a reasonable bill."

> The present Chief Forester, Mr. HENRY S. GRAVES, indorsed by Mr. PINснот, approves of the bill, and so do Secretary LANE of the Interior Department, Secretary Houston of the GEORGE OTIS SMITH of the Geological in Congress from California, the Governor, Legislature and Conservation Commission of California, the Chamber tion by the present Congress, Secretary LANE has said that the "water situation" in San Francisco "is one of emer-Water Company, now supplying the city, as saying that the deficiency "is nience and approachability urges the earthquake ever did." As to the talk I think that the thousands of people of the yard from this port, because there have some claims upon the Gov-

For the enlightenment of those who broad and breezy thinking ground National Park it may be mid that journey, but at the same time en- from the Yosemite Valley, and that in cial or social interest. Because of this tient philosophy and true magnanimity At present Hetch Hetchy is practically addition to the benefits of mere physi- visitors in the course of the year), and sults from the two ocean voyages now costing from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000. In the waters of the Tuolumne River, alter the navy yard deserves the closest There, for example, is WILLIAM SUL- which rises in the Hetch Hetchy, the scrutiny from the city authorities, the zen. The present ignoble position of Modesto and Turlock districts have the impeached Governor, so far as the irrigation rights, and they are to be and the public generally. The circumsafeguarded. All water power to to be used with restrictions in San Francisco cial to New York should never be alto the individual most directly con- and other municipalities, the Governcerned, affords the opportunity, perhaps ment receiving compensation. Cutting is the logical and proper spot for one unting to temptation, for a distinct of timber is to be regulated. Certain of the principal bases of our marine ments. Campers are to be allowed to

use the watershed under canttary regulations

first installation to bring 200,000,000 There is the Gaynor-Whitman feud, gallons a day to San Francisco and suburbs will cost \$37,500,000. There are undoubtedly other watersheds that of a man convinced of the rectitude of could be utilized now, but looking to his own views on the subject of early the future, Hetch Hetchy, which was closing, to do the manifestly wise and not in the national park when the agiright thing with regard to the indorse- tation began, is the proper and legitimate choice.

Abraham Lincoln in the Third Maine.

Colonel Roosevert's advice and direca stiff necked generation. Will he be more fortunate in the Third Maine Congress district? He has sent to that flaming Ætna of Dirigo Progressivism the Lewiston Journal a message of earnest hope for the election next week of the Hon. Sardine LAWRENCE. There can be but one kind of amalgamation between Republicans and Progressives, he says. The Republicans must swallow whole, net and without gagging the entire Progressive platform and retire from leadership "the old type bosses, PRENDERGAST in particular. The Mayor the Penroses and Murphys and the like," and lick the boots of the new type bosses, the Flinns, the Woodruffs and the Mat Hales.

"The old parties are really com bined," the Colonel tells us. This would seem to indicate that either Dynamite with him, and depending on the ozone PATTANGALL. Democratic candidate for Representative in Congress, or Tory Peress. Republican ditto, ought to withdraw.

The Colonel firmly believes that "the great majority of the [Maine] voters are Progressives.

If the Maine Progressives are no different from their brethren in other States they won't tramp to Armageddon except when the Colonel himself is on the firing line. Why should they rally around the Sardine king, especially in a confounded muggy September which makes thoughtful students of history almost forgive the Septembriseurs of the French Revolution?

Gloomy Republicans mutter that all the Colonel and Sardine ED LAWRENCE Morning News. can do is to clinch the election of the Maine Democracy. How can we be-"represents the efforts to apply the principles of ABRAHAM LINCOLN to the issues of the present day"? Can a Peters or a Pattangall block the triumph of Lincoln's principles?

Some folks say that the Abraham Lincoln in question is not the historical character of that name, but a pseudonym for a collaborator of Dr. LYMAN ABBOTT and Dr. WRIGHT MARIE.

Still, there is some comfort for the Progressives in the figures of the "thor ough canvass" of one-third of the Third district made by Colonel FREDERICK H. PARKHURST, chairman of the Maine Republican committee:

"PETERS, 4.089; PATTANGALL, 4.081 LAWRENCE, 1.258."

We can't believe that Tories and Penrose partisans are as thick as that in a district which is permitted to hear BONAPARTE, VICTOR MURDOCK and the Grand Young Man of Indiana.

## The Brooklyn Navy Yard.

For several years the probability of land now occupied by the navy in Brooklyn could be advantageously and profitably used. These consid-Department of Agriculture, Director erations may all be cited to support the suggestion that the old navy yard must some day be deserted.

None of them, however, substan-Army Engineers, the entire delegation tiates a project that would remove the navy yard from this harbor and transplant it to another section of the northern coast. The preeminence of New York as a shipping centre, its! transforming the present establishment into a modern yard is too great to be assumed, there is no lack of available land, with waterfront easy of access from the present channels, to accommodate any plant that the navy may need. Every consideration of convenaval station on the north Atlantic coast.

Were the distribution and discontinuance of naval depots always gov erned by the navy needs there would be no occasion for opposing the removal the plan would never be gravely proposed. But other motives must be recognized. To many communities the acquisition of such an institution would be of vital consequence, while to New York it is not of paramount commerpowerful influences will be invoked to set up the naval shops elsewhere, regardless of the judgment and wishes of men qualified to speak with profescional authority, and a campaign for that purpose is unlikely to call forth the opposition of New York until it has

For these reasons any proposal to members of Congress from this vicinity stance that a navy yard is not essenlowed to obscure the fact that this city struction at another point on the coast.

The cost of developing the water and ment does not rest with Mayor Garnes

Street, pettifogging defiance of the con- power supply will be \$77,000,000, and a but with Mr. Mitchel and his admirable

On the day of Mr. MITCHEL's nomina. tion our unhappy neighbor said: "It would be idle for the Evening Post to pretend that it is not disappointed at the selection of Mr. MITCHEL as the Fusion candidate for Mayor." To swal-

MARTIN V. HARTVIG said that when an immigrant on the island buys a drink of cider, costing four cents, and tenders a quarter in payment, he gets in change a box of matches and four cigars worth about \$1 per hundred. On cross-examination Harry admitted he did not know what the cigars cost .- News of the day.

Doubtless the immigrant is not nearly so much interested in what his first American cigars cost as in what they contain and what their magnificent bands mean. He may study, too, the peculiar way in which some of them then up the other. Over his cigars and cider he may conclude that he has been totally misinformed about our much vaunted luxuries.

Youth has a contempt for conserva On the contrary, youth is the savage state; and savages are the hunkers of

Lemon Hill, Philadelphia, has treated itself to an "Old Folks Day." A praise-worthy festival, but who are old folks? There can be no quarrel with the colored woman at Lemon Hill who had forgotten her Christian name but remembered distinctly that she was 114; though admirers of antiquity may regret that there aren't more whites "going on" their second century. THE no disciple of W. J. no acrid analyzer of dates and records it believes in a world of Old Parrs and will not question sharply any deserving candidates. But at this Lemon Hill feast of the venerable what did a rank pretender, "Sophia, the scrubwoman of New York," 69? Old age may begin in some weak persons at 96; a sixty-nines is an infant, a beginner, and shouldn't be allowed to go about without at least one parent or guardian.

Every nation, every people, every race nust toddle in the beginning.—Wace

But ever since Waco gave this nation the Hon. ROBERT LEE HENRY his outstretched hand has steadled our waysaid we toddle no more. We scud.

It's a great pity that Senator CUM of lowa cannot find something for his mind to do than trying to break down our financial markets .- Hart

What trace of mind is there in the Hon. ALBERT BAIRD CUMMINS'S efforts aforesaid? The youngest page in Congress who has read the yellow pages of New York could do as much.

The vote cast in an ordinary Republican Oregon primary is invariably in excess of the Republican Presidential vote. Last year it was larger than the subsequent Republican and Progressive vote com-bined. The reason was the free and easy Democratic intrusion into the Republicar of Democrats cheerfully perjure them selves to enjoy the privilege of mixing in Republican affairs.—Portland Oregonian.

The Republicans can return the favor And why use coarse words like "perjure"? Say rather that in Oregon the primary system encourages the satisfaction of enlightened curlosity, sense of humor and benevolent immission into the party you don't belong to.

seriously discussed. The opportunity for the machine or the motor. Colonel economical enlargement of the water structural weakness in his aeroplane. Copy, the veteran aviator, was a victim of It is evident that the manufacturers its shops is admittedly small. Traffic have not yet mastered the art of proin the East River is steadily grow- tecting parts against sudden strains. ing more congested. The commercial nor can they guarantee a perfect motor. needs of New York are such that the The non-capsizable Dunne aeropiane seems to be a great advance in designing, but it will have to stand the test of sound construction before it can be pro nounced safe.

Consul HANNA, at Monterey, reported to-day there was no truth in the story that six Americans had been executed by Federal Mexican General at Torreon. All Americans and foreigners in Torrect were safe as late as August 31 .- Wash-

Then the Federal General Bravo must have been puzzled by the printed interview with him at Torreon in which he central location and unmatched fa- defended the right of a Mexican officer cilities all argue convincingly against to kill his prisoners whether they were such a scheme. If the expense of Americans or not, It is becoming hazardous to believe news from the seat of war in Mexico.

## AN ANGLER'S PROTEST.

Why Artificial Files Should Not Be Excluded by the New Tariff Law.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN—Sir: Some of the game and bird protection societies wish to close our markets to the importa-tion of wild bird feathers, skins, &c., used for millinery purposes. All good sports-men favor this in the hope of prevent-ing the extermination of certain birds of beautiful plumage, but these bird people are not content with that; they want a clause put in the tariff bill which would prevent anglers from importing either feathers or flies for fishing. I have given a great deal of study to the matter of fishing and have no hesitation in saying that such a prohibition would kill the fine sport of modern fly fishing, in which thousands of us indulge as our favorite recreation.

number of feathers used in making othing one way or the other. cannot buy a decently tied fly in America ly tying is distinctly a province of a ew skilled British workmen. You can not get a well made salmon fly or dry fly outside of England. Keeping them out would work a senseless hardship upon the large army of American anglers who devote a lot of their time and money to the stocking of streams and the up-FISHERMAN. NEW YORK, September 4.

On the Spraying of Melon Vince TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIF: I was cating fine, luscious melon and enjoying its flavor, ommenting on its sweetness and fine texture, when suddenly I scooped up a spoonful of the ruit which tasted very bitter. I tried again and ot a taste in my mouth that was like medicine.

alling attention to this strange bitterness in the
nation. I found that it had been noticed by the
ther members of the family who had breakasted earlier. Speculating thereon, it was aug posted that a preservative had been injecte nto the melon, and then the thought occurred to me that the bitter flavor resulted from the polso

blossom.

Is in not true that a quantity of polson poured into a blossom will naturally fold into the fruit, which will then become a dangerous article for food consumption?

J. L. Hinding.

sed in spraying the vines when they

RUFUS CHOATE.

Was He a Greater Forensic Orator Than the Godlike Daniel?

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: In his address at Franklin, N. H., on Webster as an orator, Mr. S. W. McCall says some pretty sweeping things, one of which is that Webster "attained a place low ipecac and not make ... wry face alone among his countrymen, and it is is the part of the woebegone and the doubtful if he is surpassed by any orator who ever lived." Then: "He is preemi-nent as an orator. • • I do not who ever lived." Then: "He is preeminent as an orator, " I do not know where his rival may be found.
" No other figure of his time was comparable in the impression it made upon the general mind."

Then Mr. McCall quotes Hallam and Carlyis to promise a support.

Carlyle to prop his argument. When and where did Hallam and Carlyle hear Webster? When and where did Mr. Mc-Webster? When and where did Mr. Mc-Call, who speaks as if he had heard Webster's "high, penetrating tones" and "rich organ notes"? Webster died in 1852, sixty-one years ago. How old is THE SUN of August 3, 1903, says about

Veeder's "Legal Master Our author to one of those who are in clined to believe, though they are unable to prove it. owing to the inadequacy of

he published reports, that in respect forensic eloquence Daniel Webster was surpassed by Rufus Choate. THE SUN closes its review thus:

Rufus Choate is not included among the naments of the bench and bar figure in the volumes before us, because, as we have intimated, very few of his arguments were reported with even tolerable accuracy.

I can quote scores of Rufus Ch class contemporaries to refute Mr McCall's asseverations regarding Web-ster's supremacy as an orator, among them Matthew H. Carpenter, James T. Fields, Edwin P. Whipple, Professor San-born, Richard S. Storrs, Professor Washburn, Enoch L. Fancher, John Winslow, George P. S. Lord, Roswell Hitchcock Nathan Crosby, George Hillard, Prescott the historian, Francis Parkman, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Longfellow, Harvey Jewell, Charles Sumner, Judge Sprague, hief Justice Shaw, General Benjamir tus Russ, George Sinnott, Martin Millore Edward G. Parker, Samuel Gilman der of Wellesley College), Edward Ever. ett. Richard Henry Dana (of "Two Years Before the Mast" fame), and Webster himself, who said on his deathbed: "Choate is the most brilliant man in America."

Let me quote from R. H. Dana in his

In his presence I felt like the master of small coasting vessel that hugs the shore. hat has run up under the lee to speak homeward bound Indiaman spices and costly fabrics, with skysalls and tudding sails spread to the breeze, with he nation's flag at her masthead, navigated y the mysterious science of the fixed stars, unprepared with weapons of de ence, her deck peopled with men in trange costumes, speaking of strange limes and distant lands. trange costumes,

Edward Everett said that Choate's eulogy on Webster had never been equalled in this country; that "his imagion a bold and easy wing to heaven of invention. With such gifts and such attainments he placed but of the public speakers of the country.

After hearing him \* \* \* you felt you had heard the best."

E. P. Whipple said:

If Demosthenes had had Choate, in the place of Æschines, for his competitor in been beaten.

In 1850 Webster said to a group o Senators: Choate is a wonderful man; he is

Whipple also said: discovering argument on

ion. Webster was the equal of Choate, and no more than his equal, but in almost every other quality of a great orator, Webster, though great, was decidedly inferfor to Choate. If the two had been speak opposite sides of the same street removing the New York Navy Yard form its present site to another in the vicinity of New York, or to remoter quarters, perhaps in Narragansett Bay, has been cause of the accident was a defect in present site of the conductor to see the formans were flying together—the cause of the accident was a defect in the formans were flying together—the cause of the accident was a defect in the flagman flow opposite sides of the same street. Train stops anywhere between stations chosen to the flagman goes back and stays become or the most learned men.

Three army officers, one American and two Germans, were killed by falls from audience, whether composed of the most learned men.

We have heard Brougham. Stanley (now conductor did not know whether flagman had even got off the train. (England's best public speaker) -not one them Choate's equal. We doubt it We doubt if possessed the eloquence of Choate.

The late Senator George F. Hoar spok wrote) of Choate's "imperial"; and: "• he was as perpower' power"; and: "• \* he was as persuasive a reasoner as ever lived \* • there were few important cases that Choate lost \* • never a harsh note in his speech • • he described and pictured • • he would have made a jury think that the Siamese Twins did not look alike and could never have been born of the same parents . His voice . was like a sweet yet powerful flute . He created the wish which he satisfied. The spell, the narm, the great enchantment of this cat advocate • • Listen to this splendid passage from

Listen to this splendid passage from Edward Everett's Faneuil Hall address at the Choate funeral services; he spoke as of wild animals as they are seen in nature if Cheate were living-present tense: He is sometimes satisfied, in concise, epi

grammatic clauses, to skirmish with roops and drive in the enemy's out.
It is only on fitting occasions, when reat principles are to be vindicated, and fought, that he puts on the entire panoply of his gorgeous rhetoric. It is then that his majestic sentences swell to the dimensions of his majestic thought; then it is that we hear the roar of his rifled ordnance and when he has stormed the heights, and broken the centre, and trampled the squares. and turned the staggering wings of the adversary, he sounds his imperial clarion along the whole line of battle, and moves forward with all his hosts, in one overwhelming charge!

Webster was (in genius) to Choate what George Chapman was to Kit Har-lowe; what Ben Jonson was to Shake-speare; what Cicero was to Cæsar; Sam Johnson to Garrick: John Kemble to Edmund Kean: Weilington to Napoleon; Macready to Junius Brutus Booth, For-rest to Edwin Booth. He was (not forgetting Edgar Poe) the finest intellect and rarest genius that this country has produced. He had no rivals. Envy wa dumb while he flourished. He was eagle of the forum and the tamer of the twelve.

JOHN FORREST WARREN. NEW YORK, September 4.

What is Going On in the Lecture Field. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN—Sir: My morning SUN tells me of the Hon. William Jennings Bryan, in the interim of Mexican misunderstandings, lecturing in some little hamlet of Maryland, erst bove reproach, upon the "Making of a Query: Does the Nebraskan architect

"cheek," or does he fashion the "main entrance" to the clamorous trap first? JIMMT DUCK, Constable. WEST HURLEY, N. J., September 4.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Mire hile dictu! A press despatch from York, Pa., advises us that Secretary Bryan has Pa., advises us that believere.

delivered there a free lecture.

Let so momentous an event be duly reE. T. W. New York, September 4.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN—Sir: The Phila-delphia National League Baseball Club has signed an Indian player, by name Benny Thoup. Now the question is, how long will be remain with the Phillies before they tie the can to him?

WILLIAM PREM. GERMANTOWN, Pa., September &.

Proposals for Warning the Engineer b

Electrical Devices. To the Editor of the Sun—Sir: The editorial article in the Sun of September 3 suggesting that sound be used as auxiliary to sight in assisting the engineer to obey block signals is along correct lines. The use of sound for conveying information is as "old as Adam"
and if an engineer does not see the signal he should hear it.

Our company has been working along
these lines for some time and has perfected a signal device to be placed at
the caution signal which is being tried eat
on several railroads. In the event of an

the caution signal which is being tried each on several railroads. In the event of an engineer failing to see the signal in the caution position there will be exploded a number of torpedoes which will warn the engineer that he is approaching a signal at which he must come to a full stop.

A novel feature of this device is that should the engineer see the caution signal and obey the information it conveys no torpedoes are exploded, thus avoiding unnecessary poiss. It is only when he fails necessary noise. It is only when he falls to notice the signals in the caution or to notice the signals in the caution or stop position that the warning is given and his attention as well as that of others on the train is called to his omission. JOHN T. CADS, Vice-president Federal Signal Company.

NEW YORK, September 4.

What Better Than an Electrical Bell is

the Locomotive? TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Conerning sound signals for railroads, the fog horn or bell would not be tolerated in municipalities where traffic is heavy. On Susquehana valleys fogs prevail almost daily in the early morning. What sity, town or village would permit the constant sounding of a fog horn or bell loud enough to attract the attention of the engineer of a fast moving locomotive?
What do you think of a system whereby the same electric current that sets the block signal semaphore would ring an alarm bell in the celling of the cab over the engineer's head? He could not fail

the engineer's head? He could not land to hear that.

A horn or bell might not distinguish between an alarm for east or west bound trains. A bell in the cab would remove all doubt whether the signal was meant for the train where it sounded

NEW YORK, September 4.

How a Veteran Engineer Saved a Train. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN—Sir: An but it will not be opened until next year, engineer of the Long Island Railroad, now although it is finished. dead, told me the following story, which dead, told me the following story, which illustrates the fact that engineers in order to avoid accidents have to proceed and act on their own initiative in a great many cases. No matter what the set rules are, they must go by the common sense rule, and that is: in case of doubt, stop.

This engineer in running from Garden City to Babylon over what was known as the Stewart extension, after a heavy growth of children in Catholic parachial.

downpour of rain and in the night, with a schools has been most marked in Brockmight be a washout, although he had received no special orders regarding the ceived no special orders regarding the matter. So he put the fireman at the throttle with instructions to just keep the engine moving and under absolue control.

Fordham Op
Fordham College and himself went out on the pilot with a away. He called the conductor and flagged his train back into Garden City-for orders, which were of course to pro-ceed to Babylon by the old South Side Railroad.

sengers of that train living and they may recall the incident. The moral of it all is that railroad officials cannot make rules to take the place of individual initiative in crucial moments

ARINGTON H. CARMAN. PATCHOGUE, September 4

Simple Safeguard Too Often Neglected. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: In reports of the North Haven rear end collision we read again of banto signals and trains stopping too close to one and clearing the other. At Stamford it was a semaphore: at North Haven a "banjo" signal. The cause of the latest disaster was simply that the flagman did not go back and stay back. When an express train stops anywhere between stations it is the duty of the conductor to see that the flagman goes back and stays back,

You see the remedy is so simple and easy that it is often neglected. No matter what the safety devices are, there is too often a careless and incompetent employee to be reckoned with.

Attention should constantly be called to the necessity of that flag. The use of it should be drilled into train crews as the most essential thing for the safety passengers. AN OLD RAILROADER. NEW HAVEN, September 4.

Experiences of a City Person on a Cou

try Road.

To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: have never hunted lions, tigers or bear I have never even seen any of those fierce wild beasts in their native retreats or jungles; in fact my know is extremely limited; and when I do see his greatly

Walking through a patch of woods along a remote country road, where I was this summer, I saw ahead, disappearing in the brush at the side, a small was not a pig: it was a wild animal of some sort, sure. Further along I met a rice farmer to whom I described this animal as closely as I could, asking him what it was. "Why, that was a woodchuck," he said.

So that was a woodchuck, was it? I said to myself. Well, well; and I was very glad I had seen it; for, often as I had heard about them, and familiar as woodchucks may be to many people, I had never actually seen

On that same day and on the same road I saw hopping across the highway a rabbit. Of course I have seen plenty of

and again on a road through woods, we saw, crossing the road from one side to isthman Canal Commission to-day, the other, a turtle; quite a turtle; from The dike will be blown out on October the other, a turtle; quite a turtle; from tip to tip this turtle would measure probably a foot. Of course I had seen plenty the turtles in ponds and mud holes, but this was the first time I had ever seen a good big turtle like that wandering around the country. S. Urbanus, Sr. NEW YORK, September 3.

Mardi Gras at Coney Island TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Now that the Mardi Gras festival at Coney Island is approach-ing would it not be a good idea for the police to get together and prepare for the rowdles who delight in making things miserable for peaceful. citizens? Last year they seemed to have full play. I think the only way to stop this sort of thing would be to double the strength of the police this year.

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FLATBUSH, September 4. The Contemporary Dia Girls nowadays go in for sport, not firting.

Although her love I'd like to win Whene'er she passes by
I read no wireless message in
Her automobile eye.
She's proud, too, of a "golfer's thumb,"
And added to her charms, About which I must be quite dumb, She's lovely tennis arms. She hunts, this bright Dians, too, But scorns the ancient plan Of chasing, as she used to do, The marriageable man.

# SOUND SIGNALS FOR TRAINS. PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS SHOW BIG INCREASE

All Boroughs to Have New Institutions, With 12,000 Gain in Students.

BROOKLYN CHIEF PROBLEM

Cathedral College, Founded by Cardinal Farley, to Have Class of 375.

Church day schools of New York, all pening next Monday, will be crowded to their limit. There will be 12,000 more students than there were last year.

Cathedral College, founded a few years ago by Cardinal Farley to start candidates for the priesthood, will receive 100 young men. Last spring twenty left to enter theological studies at Dunwoodle this month. The number remaining was 275, so that the new class will have 375. There are twenty-two instructors. Cardinat Farley has been compelled to give thought to future growth.

St. Brendan's, at Morris Park, and St.

Benedict's, Fulton street near Ralph ave-nue, are new schools in Brooklyn. St. Francis de Salle, at Rockaway Park, is a new one in Queens. In Manhattan there is a new St. Clement's in West Fortieth street, a new St. Gregory's in West Eighty-ninth street and a new Our Lady Lourdes in West 143d street.

New Schools in The Brons.

Five new parochial schools will be opened in The Bronx. These are the Holy Spirit, at Morris Heights ; the Holy Family, Spirit, at Morris Heights; the Holy Family, on Castle Hill avenue, Unionport; St. Thomas Aquinas, on Dafy avenue; St. Athanasius, in the Hunt's Point district near the Southern Boulevard, and St. Philip Nerl, at Bedford Park. There is a new St. Margaret's school at Riverdale, In Harlem the new St. Mark's school

Fordham College opens its high school

department on September 11 and its col-lege on September 16. St. Francis Xavier in Sixteenth street opens on Monday, but consolidates its college department Fordham College, as last year. St. John's Choir School, a new \$200,000 chool building, is to be opened on the Cathedral grounds.

boys, who sing daily and on Sundays in the Cathedral.

Trinity School in West Ninety-first street, the oldest secondary school in America, will open classes filled to the limit. Trinity schools connected with Trinity parish church and Trinity chapel were remodelled in their courses of study and grades last year. They open this year with large classes.

The new Trinity College for Choirmasters, beginning this fall and using the equipment of organs and buildings of Trinity parish, already has a promising

HARRISON OFF FOR MANILA. New Governor-General Sails From

San Francisco on Sept. 10. Francis Burton Harrison, the newly appointed Governor-General of the Philip Manchuria on September

Before going Mr. Harrison had a talk at the Lotos Club with Secretary of War Garrison regarding affairs in the Philip-pines. Mr. Harrison said that Stephen Bonsal, a newspaper correspondent become a member of the municipal board of the city of Manila Gerald Seldom WILD ANIMALS HE HAS MET. domridge of Colorado, is going as Mr. Harrison's secretary.

MR. MORGENTHAU CONFIRMED.

President Names Birch of New Jersey for Portugal.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 .- The nomination of Henry Morgenthau of New York to be Ambassador to Turkey was confirmed by the Senate late this afternoon. No objection was raised. Edward Bell New York, hominated as Secretary Embassy at London, and John Van Edward Bell Embassy at London, and John Van A. McMurray of the District of Columbia, nominated to be Secretary of Legation at Pekin, were confirmed also.

President Wilson sent the following nominations to the Sanate:

Charles J. Vopicka of Illinois, Minister to Rumania, Servia and Bulgaria.

Thomas H. Birch of New Jersey, Minister to Portugal.

ney, Northern District of New York. TO BLOW GAMBOA DIKE OCT. 10. Water to Be Admitted to Culebra

Cut Pive Days Previous. WASHINGTON, Sept. 4 .- There will be nothing spectacular about the blowing up of the Gamboa dike, the embankment rabbit. Of course I have seen pienty of hothing spectacular about the blowing up tame rabbits, but this was my very first of the Gamboa dike, the embankment wild rabbit and surely I was very much pleased to see it.

On another day, far away from houses Canal, and the nearly completed Culebra Cut, according to advices received by the

mitted to Culebra Cut from the lake by cushion when the dike is bl In preparation for the admission of water to the Culebra Cut all steam shove operations will cease in the cut of September 15. All material and equip ment will be removed before October

BALKAN INQUIRY STILL ON Carnegie Endowment Denies tro-

ject Has Been Abandoned. WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace announces that European cablegrams telling of the abandonment of the Balkan inquiry inaugurated by the endowment are

The commission is at Salonica and a The commission is at Salonica and according to the announcement here is differently pushing its inquiries into the losses and alleged atrocities growing out of the Balkan wars. It is engaged in making a perfectly impartial investigation with no political end whatever in view. The statement that Germany is unrepresented on the commission is also an error. The well known scholar Prof. Walter Schucking of Harburg is sitting with the commission and participating in with the commission and participating